

News Briefs

Estate claims

Anyone having claims against the estate of Airman 1st Class Erik I. Salazar, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron fire protection specialist, can call Capt. Paul Waite, 52nd CES summary courts officer at 452-5540 or e-mail him at paul.waite@spangdahlem.af.mil. People with claims against the estate of Senior Airman Timothy R. Alford, 52nd CES fire protection specialist can call Capt. Allen Kelly, 52nd CES Explosive Ordnance Disposal flight commander at 452-6266 or e-mail him at allen.kelly@spangdahlem.af.mil.

Sure Fire competition

The Team Eifel community is invited to watch the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Sure Fire 2005 weapons loading event taking place at Hangars 1 and 2 Wednesday and Thursday. For the first time in 12 years, teams including a weapons load team chief and two weapons load crew members who work on F-15s, F-16s and A-10s will compete in Sure Fire '05. The purpose of the competition is for the weapons loaders to showcase their capabilities and to promote esprit de corps across USAFE. Check out the schedule of events on page 2.

52nd MDG closure

The 52nd Medical Group will be closed for training Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. People in need of emergency care should go to the Bitburg Annex emergency room. Call 452-8333 for more information.

Change of command

Lt. Col. John Specht relinquishes command of the 23rd Fighter Squadron to Lt. Col. William Woodcock Aug. 26 at 3:23 p.m. in Hangar 3.

School lunches delay

Regular school lunch service is suspended at Bitburg Annex schools and Spangdahlem Middle School through Sept. 5. Details will be advertised about lunch service via local AFN broadcasts, battle staff directives and school newsletters as they are available.

Memorial ceremony

A Sept. 11 Patriot's Day Ceremony takes place Sept. 9 at 3:30 p.m. at the parade grounds in front of the 52nd Fighter Wing headquarters, building 23. The Air Force Sergeant's Association, Saber Chapter 1681, hosts the event to honor the people who lost their lives in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and for those who have lost their lives in the Global War on Terror. Call Tech. Sgt. Evelyn Serafica at 452-8349 for details.

Forging bonds

Celebrate Europe's olden days in regal ways at Manderscheid Castle's medieval festival.

Read "Manderscheid offers food, music ...," on Page 7.



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Airman 1st Class Kristin Ruleau

Day at the beach

Airman 1st Class Richard Shuminsky, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration apprentice, and Airman 1st Class Thomas Hallanger, 52nd CES, utilities system journeyman, high crawl through a sand pit during Combat Skills Training here Wednesday. Sabers deploying in Air Expeditionary Force 7/8 are required to take the two-day course, which offers classroom instruction and field experience. Deployers learned rifle fighting, combat skills, fighting positions, M-16 weapon cleaning, proper wear of body armor and more.

Helectern Range turkey shoot gives inside look at wing sorties

By Staff Sgt. Jennifer Lindsey
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

Team Eifel families recently landed an up-close glimpse of 52nd Fighter Wing firepower during "Turkey Shoot" days at Helectern Range Aug. 8-11.

More than 100 airmen, family members and Department of Defense civilians boarded the buses bound for the bombing range in Belgium to watch 22nd, 23rd and 81st Fighter Squadron pilots prove their weapons employment skills during the competition.

Perched on a hill with other wing spectators on the last day of the competition, Capt. Michelle Sanchez and her four children, ages 10-19, watched as the first four A-10s arrived and circled overhead. The 52nd Medical Operations Support Squadron nurse wanted to share with her family some insight as to "what the Air Force is all about."

"This is a unique opportunity to see the Air Force in action," she said. "Seeing it firsthand gives us greater appreciation for what goes on behind the scenes."

Just as the A-10s arrived, one of the pilots locked on his target -- a junked truck in the field -- and fired his 30mm Gatling gun, startling many of the spectators. Quieter "dummy" bomb drops in the distance followed the gunfire and set the stage for the finale -- A-10s zooming just 500 feet away from the crowd. The pilots maintained such a hard bank to the left, one could almost see into the aircraft cockpits.

"Now that's what I'm talking about!," said Airman 1st Class Joshua Pickett, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron sheet metal technician.

During the Turkey Shoot, pilots garnered points for dropping bombs and firing on target at Helectern Range and Vleihoors Range in the Netherlands. Inclement weather was a consistent obstacle for the event; however, it wasn't a show stopper.

"Events like this enhance our ability to train like we fight," said Maj. Pete Olson, 52nd Operations Support Squadron weapons and tactics officer and event coordinator. Treating dummy bombs as if they are live explosives helps pilots practice basic weapons employment skills, such as making every drop or gunfire count, he explained.

"Today, pilots must hit the exact point to prevent collateral damage and make the best use of resources," he added.



2nd Lt. Shannon Collins

Team Eifel members watch the sand fly when an A-10 drops an inert bomb at Helectern Range in Belgium Aug. 11. Wing families and Department of Defense civilians were invited to visit the range Aug. 8-11 to witness 22nd, 23rd and 81st Fighter Squadron pilots vie against each other in a weapons employment competition.

The 81st FS scored the bulk of the awards, accurately delivering high-altitude and level-dive bombs; and performing low-angle, high- and low-drag bomb deliveries. Capt. John Buske of the 81st Fighter Squadron landed the Top Gun award by scoring in the 90th percentile. Capt. James Gump, 23rd FS, earned first place in low-angle, low-drag bomb delivery.

"Major Olson did an awesome job allowing the families to come out to the range," said Capt. Jason Bartels, 81st FS pilot and first-place winner in the level-delivery bombing category. "It was a great opportunity for spouses to connect with what it is the military spouse supports on the job daily. It also reaches out to children who have a parent who may load the bombs or builds them."

Although the fighter pilots focused on safe flying practices and zeroing in on the target, they were still able to enjoy performing before a live audience.

"It was awesome to show people what we can do," said Captain Bartels.

RESCON Watch

BRAVO

1-2 DUIs in the Last 30 Days

Days since last DUI: 8

Rank of last DUI: staff sergeant
Squadron of last DUI: 52nd LRS

Large unit with best record: 52nd Communications Squadron, 176 days
Small units with best record: 52nd Medical Support Squadron,
52nd Dental Squadron and 52nd Contracting Squadron: No DUIs

Data Courtesy of the 52nd SFS

When going out, have a plan or call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 06565-61-2233.

U.S. Air Force lands at Moscow air show

By Master Sgt. Mona Ferrell

U.S. Air Forces in Europe Public Affairs

ZHUKOVSKY, Russia (AFPN) -- U.S. Air Force maintainers chocked and secured six aircraft at Ramenskoye Airfield here Aug. 14, as they prepared to participate in the Moscow International Aviation and Space Salon.

About 100 U.S. servicemembers are playing an active part in the Moscow air show Aug. 16 to 21, where visitors can get a close-up look at U.S. Air Force aircraft.

The air show is one of the largest in the world, fourth only to air shows in Paris; Farnborough, England; and Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

“(This air show) is one of the premier events of its type in the world, and we’re proud to be a part of it,” said Col. Scott Nielson, U.S. Air Forces in Europe Reserve forces adviser and air boss for the event.

“Opportunities like this allow us to strengthen our relations with our Russian partners, and it’s also an opportunity to showcase and display our capabilities,” Colonel Nielson said. “Our participation demonstrates our commitment to international security, promotes international cooperation and contributes to U.S. foreign policy objectives. It’s a win-win situation for everyone involved.”

American aircraft showcased include an F-15E Strike Eagle, two F-16 Fighting Falcons, a KC-10 Extender, a KC-135 Stratotanker and a B-1B Lancer.

The B-1B will perform daily aerial demonstrations, and air show attendees will be able to see static displays of all of the aircraft as well as speak with the aircrews.

The Airmen said they are looking forward to interacting with their Russian counterparts.

“It’s going to be an awesome experience,” said Staff Sgt. Korey Stiles, a mobile aerial port specialist from the 86th Contingency Response Group at Ramstein Air Base, Germany. “Not too many Americans have the opportunity to come to Russia. To be able to come here and talk with the Russian public and see each other’s aircraft in action, it’s going to be incredible.”



Tech. Sgt. Cindy Dorfner

Two F-16 *Fighting Falcons* from Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany, await refueling from a KC-135 Stratotanker from Royal Air Force Mildenhall, England, en route to the Moscow International Aviation and Space Salon Aug. 14. About 100 servicemembers are participating in the air show Aug. 16 to 21.

This is the second time the United States has displayed military aircraft at this air show; the first time was in 2003. In 2001 the Defense Department participated with a technology booth.

Wet roads, hydroplaning, inattentive driving culprit for Team Eifel’s crashes

By David Barker

52nd Security Forces Squadron

Team Eifel had one driving-under-the-influence incident over the past two weeks. A staff sergeant from the 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron was pulled over in Pickliessem.

Over the last two weeks, Sabers were involved in eight major crashes and 23 minor wrecks.

The first major crash occurred near St. Vith, Belgium, on A-27. Two Airmen died and one Airman sustained injuries in the single vehicle accident.

The second major crash occurred on B-257 between Badem and Erdorf. Speeding on wet roads caused the vehicle to hydroplane.

The third major collision was located on L-50 near Niederkail. Speeding and swerving to miss hitting wildlife caused the accident.

The fourth major wreck occurred on B-50 near the Albachmühle Hotel. Speeding and hydroplaning caused the driver to hit another vehicle.

Team Eifel’s fifth major crash was located on B-50 near Dudeldorf. A local national pulled out onto the B-50 and did not see the oncoming vehicle. There were minor injuries.

The sixth major wreck occurred on L-46. A motorcyclist was speeding on a curvy road and spilled off the motorcycle. There were no injuries.

The seventh major crash was in Luxembourg. Inattentive driving caused the accident.

The last major wreck occurred on A-48 near Kaisersech. Inattentive driving caused the driver to rear-end another vehicle.

Team Eifel members were involved in 23 minor wrecks: six from speeding, two from improper backing, seven from inattentive driving, one occurred in a parking lot, three were from others at fault, three from following too closely and one from wildlife.

Hydroplaning facts:

Hydroplaning can occur when driving on a wet highway and water penetrates between the tire and the pavement. This penetration results in the formation of water pressure and raises a portion of the tire off the pavement.

This pressure increases with increasing speed of the vehicle, supporting more and more of the tire, until at a critical speed, the hydroplaning speed, the tire is supported only by the water and loses all contact with the pavement.

The most serious consequence of hydroplaning is the loss of traction that is necessary for safe steering and braking.

Follow steps to avoid hydroplaning:

- ♦ Slow down when the roads are wet. A wet road may be just as slippery as an icy road; all traction is lost at hydroplaning speeds.
- ♦ Be alert for standing water or puddles, especially on curves.
- ♦ Keep good tires and keep them properly inflated.
- ♦ Increase following distances to allow more time and distance to stop or control the vehicle.
- ♦ Be alert for side winds which can affect vehicle control.
- ♦ Adjust speed to road conditions and remember that hydroplaning can occur well below posted speed limits.



Combat Proud

(Left to right) Master Sgts. Aaron Poeschel, 606th Air Control Squadron; David Maniccia, 52nd Operations Support Squadron; Roger Bolish, 606th ACS; and Staff Sgt. Jeremy Fox, 606th ACS, dig out flower beds in front of dormitory 134 here Saturday. The Combat Proud initiative was taken on by the 52nd Operations Group Top 3 association in an effort to improve the quality of life for the dormitory residents. More than 50 volunteers rebuilt the sand volleyball court, built a horse shoe pit and planted flowers.

Photo by Susan Perron

LOADEO: Sure Fire 2005 competition schedule of events

Wednesday

- ♦ 8 a.m., Opening remarks by Colonels Goldfein and Rauker
- ♦ 9 a.m., One Aviano F-16 load and one F-15C load
- ♦ 10 a.m., Jammer competition: drivers test their skills
- ♦ 11:30 a.m., One F-15E load and one Spangdahlem F-16 load
- ♦ 1 p.m., Jammer Competition: drivers test their skills
- ♦ 2 p.m., One Spangdahlem A-10 load and one Aviano F-16 load

Thursday

- ♦ 8 a.m., One Spangdahlem F-16 load and one F-15C load

- ♦ 10:30 a.m., One F-15E load and one Spangdahlem A-10 load
- ♦ 5 p.m., Social; 6 p.m. award presentation, load team recognition, barbeque buffet at Club Eifel

All competition events take place at Hangars 1 and 2.

The F-15 jets are from Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England, the F-16 block 40 jets are from Aviano Air Base, Italy, and the F-16 block 50 jets and A-10 jets are from Spangdahlem Air Base.



2nd Lt. Shannon Collins

Top Saber Performer

Name: Ingrid Legrand
Unit: 52nd Fighter Wing Legal Office
Duty title: Host-nation paralegal
Hometown: Spangdahlem, Germany
Years in service: 34
Nominee's contributions to 52nd FW mission success: Frau Legrand provides advice and assistance to Spangdahlem AB's Airmen and family mem-

bers on matters of German law. She is particularly adept at helping members with traffic tickets and court orders in a timely manner -- protecting their interests and minimizing disruption to their daily lives.

Off-duty volunteerism and professional development pursuits: Frau Legrand is the treasurer for a tennis club in Speicher, Germany.

What do you do for fun? I play tennis on a lady's tennis team and hike, bike, and walk all over the Eifel region.

What's one thing you'd like to see changed or improved at Spangdahlem AB? More lunch alternatives or a combination Italian ice cream and coffee shop.



Capt. Mike Cumberworth

Commander's Mentorship Program

Airman 1st Class Mercedes Lee explains her duties as a command post controller to Col. Dave Goldfein, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, during his visit to the alternate command post location here as part of the Commander's Mentorship Program Aug. 5. Airman Lee hails from Memphis, Tenn., and has been in the Air Force for one year. She is president of dorm 225 and is part of the "Bridge Builders" program.

Combat Education

Interested in a degree? Here is what Spangdahlem AB has to offer ...

❑ University of Maryland offers a variety of degrees, ranging from associate's degrees, bachelor's degrees and master's degrees. Call or e-mail the program administrator at 452-6637 or jquigley@ed.umuc.edu.

❑ Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University offers associate's degrees, bachelor's degrees, master's degrees and certificates in subjects such as aeronautics, technical management and aeronautical science. Call or e-mail the program administrator at 452-7553 or erauspan@t-online.de.

❑ Oklahoma University offers master's degrees in human relations and international relations. Call or e-mail the program administrator at 452-7555 or ouspan@mail.pjsnet.com.

❑ University of Phoenix offers master's degrees in business administration, and curriculum and instruction, as well as a Master of Education degree. Call or e-mail the program administrator at 452-7556 or jessica.lagassey-simpson@phoenix.edu.

❑ Central Texas College offers an associate's degree in criminal justice. Call or e-mail the program administrator at 452-8951 or ctcspar@yahoo.com.

Eifel Salutes

38th Munitions Support Wing

A symphony of praise for **Staff Sgt. Shubert Mendez** and his "can do" attitude as a member of the training team and occasional volunteer taxi driver. Here's a quarter -- call someone from the **702nd Communications Maintenance Flight**, to thank them for their superb troubleshooting that quickly resolved an unprecedented system malfunction. **Staff Sgt. Carlos Madrid** expertly employed 15 personnel without a hitch when he volunteered to operate munitions control during a squadron readiness exercise. It's a tough project for **Tech Sgt. Timothy Parsons** to pick up and sort mail every day for the 130+ people in the 701st MUNSS, but he does it with a smile and kudos for exceptional service.

52nd Medical Group

A 21-gum salute for **Airmen 1st Class Sheminka Jordan** and **Jamie Graham** for voluntarily working late at night to ensure immediate treatment for a patient's mouth injury. **Mrs. Felicia Kruse** deserves a vacation after her excellent work during recent extremely busy weeks. **Ms. Julia Crissinger** and **Ms. Suzanne Berrong** received praise from patients and staff for their excellent nursing skills while coaching expectant mothers. A helping-hand salute to **Airman 1st Class Amanda Ridgley**, who assisted another element when their manning dropped below 50 percent. No longer far out, geographically separated units can thank **Ms. Espie Rozell** for conducting additional drug testing training.



52nd Maintenance Group

A-10 Armament Technician **Senior Airman Benjamin Caldwell** deserves a load of praise for getting 30mm rounds out of a jam during an ammunition load. **Senior Airman Terence L. Brumfield** recently organized a new trailer maintenance section responsible for maintenance and upkeep on over 100 jet engine trailers, stands and engine mount assemblies. **Tech Sgt. James Houtz** has all the tools of the maintenance trade and was responsible for correcting 61 discrepancies, contributing to a 100-percent Quality Assurance Composite Tool Kit pass rate, and ensuring the tools to maintain 182 F16/A10 engines valued at \$645 million were in top notch condition.

CDC Scores
 The following individuals received scores of 90 percent or better on their Career Development Course examinations:

♦ **Staff Sgt. Bradley Blan**, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron: 93 percent

♦ **Staff Sgt. Bryce Kelsey**, 52nd AMXS: 90 percent

♦ **Senior Airman Shaun Welden**, 52nd AMXS: 91 percent;

♦ **Airman 1st Class Joshua McKenzie**, 52nd Communications Squadron: 90 percent

♦ **Airman 1st Class Benjamin Widenoja**, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron: 90 percent

♦ **Airman Josiah Meyer**, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron: 91 percent

Kudos to all; Team Eifel salutes you!
 (Compiled by Capt. Mike Cumberworth, 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office)



2nd Lt. Shannon Collins

Top Saber Team

Unit name: 52nd FW/JA Host-Nation Legal Team

Number of members: Two -- Johanna Bromme and Ingrid Legrand

Unit responsibilities: The Spangdahlem Host-Nation legal team advises commanders on the applicability of German law and prepares extracts on pertinent American law for use by various German officials who must take action in civil or criminal cases, involving American personnel. They provide advice to on-base organizations concerning the legal ramifications of their actions according to German law, and render legal assistance to military personnel and dependents on various matters to include landlord-tenant agreements, consumer rights, debts, domestic relations, insurance and traffic tickets. The team recommends legal actions to ensure protection of all United States' rights in Germany and drafts various articles for publication to acquaint U.S. personnel with areas of German law such as traffic laws, customs and tariff laws, adoption, marriage and divorce in Germany.

How does the team fit into the 52nd Fighter Wing's mission? Primarily, the Host-Nation legal team members maintain close, professional relations with German, French, and Luxembourg officials protecting and assisting Team Eifel personnel and U.S. interests overseas.

Team's other contributions through the year? The team assists Saber personnel by offering legal assistance and advice in just about all areas of German law. This ensures Team Eifel members have an enjoyable and successful tour and that deploying warfighter's minds are "in the fight" when they deploy downrange.

New Superintendent of DoDDS Kaiserslautern District arrives

Staff reports

At her first meeting with her District Office Staff, Lawanna Hicks Mangleburg made it clear to her team that we are here to ensure the social, emotional and academic growth of children.

Mrs. Mangleburg, the new District Superintendent of the Kaiserslautern District, arrived in country recently and assumed leadership of the school district. Mrs. Mangleburg is a veteran school administrator who has served for many years with Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools (DDESS).

She reminded the district office team that two of the main goals throughout DoDEA schools are for all students to meet or exceed challenging standards, and to form stronger partnerships between parents, the schools and the community.

She encouraged each of the district team members to become familiar with the Customer Satisfaction Survey reports that are posted on the DoDEA Web site at www.dodea.edu and to use these results to improve planning efforts for the upcoming school year.

Mrs. Mangleburg's most recent assignment was as Superintendent of Schools at The United States Military

Academy at West Point, New York. She also worked at Quantico Marine Corps base at Quantico, Virginia, and Naval Surface Warfare Center at Dahlgren, Virginia. She was responsible for the consolidation and supervision of three geographically remote school systems.

Mrs. Mangleburg earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Secondary Education with a major in English from Mary Washington College and a master's degree in Elementary Education from the School of Curriculum and Instruction at the University of Virginia. Her post-graduate work was in Public Administration at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and School Administration at the University of Virginia.

Over the years, Mrs. Mangleburg has been recognized for outstanding performance as an educational leader. She has received letters of commendation from a member of Congress, Department of Defense officials, and Navy and Marine Corps officials.

In 2001, she was named DoDEA's Superintendent of the Year. Accompanying her to Europe is her husband Stan. She has one son who lives in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and one daughter who lives in Yorktown, Virginia.

(Information courtesy of the Kaiserslautern District Superintendent's Office)

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♦ **U.S. Air Forces in Europe Schools Web site:**
<https://wwwmil.usafe.af.mil/direct/A1/A1P/A1P%20Homepage.htm>

Department of Defense Education Activity
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School news

DoDDS lunch program

The Department of Defense Dependents Schools free/reduced lunch program applications are now available. People can get information, eligibility guidelines and applications at any of the schools, the schools liaison office on Spangdahlem AB, building 151, or people can visit the Web site at http://intranet/52fw/52msg/52msg_staff/DoDDS/default.asp. Parents must bring in a current leave and earnings statement when submitting the application.

Bitburg Elementary School

BES is now accepting Sure Start applications for the 2005-6 school year. Applications can be picked up at the main office. Children must be four

years old on or before Oct. 31, 2005.

Applications are accepted for ranks E-1 through E-9 (and their civilian equivalents), with priority placement given to ranks E-1 through E-4. For details, call Mary Marchand at 452-9215 or 06565-619215.

Spangdahlem Middle School

SMS's official pictures will be taken Sept. 12 in the morning. For more information, call Jane Hewitt at 452-7205.

Bitburg Middle School

The BMS open house is Sept. 1. All parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call the middle school at 452-9310 or 0656561-9310.

Bitburg High School

New student breakfast

The Baron Booster Club invites all new students and their families to

attend their continental breakfast and ice breaker session at the BHS new student orientation Thursday from 8-9 a.m. in the BHS cafeteria. New student orientation follows from 9 a.m. to noon. For details, call Val McCamish at 452-9337.

Important dates

□ Aug. 23, teachers report back to school; Aug. 25, new student orientation, 9 a.m. to noon; Aug. 28, first day of school

□ Sept. 5, Labor Day, no school; Sept. 7, open house from 4-6 p.m.; Sept. 25-26, senior portraits

□ Oct. 3, Teacher in-service, no school; Oct. 6, underclassmen photos; Oct. 7, homecoming weekend, family photos; Oct. 10, Columbus Day, no school

Transportation talks bus safety

Staff reports

Transportation guidelines for riding the school bus are available from any of the five Eifel school's Web sites. People are encouraged to pay close attention to the discipline standards and some important safety tips.

These Web sites will give people information on topics such as telephone numbers, bus service, commuting and walking areas, special-education bus service, centralized and alternate bus stops, regular and temporary bus passes, security attendants, late-bus procedures, school loading and unloading, school parking, misplaced-child procedures, school bus discipline and bus safety.

The bus pass serves two purposes. It identifies the child as an authorized bus rider, and it states what bus the child is supposed to ride and where they are to get on and off. This is a security as well as a safety issue.

If a child needs to ride a different bus because of a sponsor's leave or temporary duty assignment, the sponsor must request a temporary bus pass from the bus transportation office. A handwritten note handed in by a child will not be honored. All the bus route numbers have been renumbered this school year.

Safety information

Parents should not be the cause of an accident when they meet their child at the bus stop. Where the parent is and what they do can be the difference between a safe arrival and an accident.

Children, especially those age 5-9, are impulsive and act without thinking. When they get off the bus and see their parent, they want to go to them immediately. They are reacting to seeing their parent and they will take the shortest, quickest route to reach the parent.

Safety rules

Following these rules can prevent you from being the cause of an accident involving your child:

1. Be on time. Get to the stop before the bus arrives and do not expect a child to wait -- a waiting child is an endangered child.
2. Stand at the bus stop. That puts adults on the same side of the street as the stop itself.
3. Take a position facing the door where the child can see the parent while exiting the bus.
4. Take charge of the child. Take him or her by the hand and then walk away.

Danger zone

Sabers should educate their children on the school bus danger zone diagram available on the school's Web site. People should also remember that traffic in Europe does not stop for buses. Teach children to never go in front of or behind the bus.

(Information courtesy David Kiely, Eifel Student Transportation Office)

School bus safety tidbits

- ♦ Parents of school bus riders need to ensure their children know and use the safest route possible to and from the bus stop.
- ♦ Parents should ensure their children wear clothing easily visible to motorists and that their children practice safe behavior to and from the bus stop. Children are least visible to motorists during the winter months when there are fewer daylight hours.
- ♦ Parents should teach their children to remain on the sidewalk and wait for the bus to depart before attempting to cross the street. Otherwise, a child attempting to cross a street in front of or behind a bus risks being injured by a motorist who is unable to see the child.
- ♦ U.S. Army in Europe driving regulations require motorists on a military installation to stop for a bus that is loading or unloading.

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Col. Dave Goldfein

August Sortie Scoreboard

Aircraft	Goal	Flown	Delta
22FS	421	191	-9
23FS	448	199	+6
81FS	358	152	-5

*Delta is contract vs. sorties flown to date.

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Respect

52nd FW/JA: Leadership at any level considered to be an act of service

By Lt. Col. James Bitzes

52nd Fighter Wing staff judge advocate

I recently heard our wing commander, Colonel Goldfein, discuss the importance of taking time out to participate in the various celebrations of our racial, cultural and gender diversity as a nation and as a service.

As I listened to Colonel Goldfein, it occurred to me that how we treat others reflects on our personal honor. Leadership at any level is an act of service. You cannot serve well if you treat others poorly. Indeed, our capacity as Airmen to be respectful and courteous directly reflects on us as military professionals.

I am a history and political studies aficionado and a lawyer. Each of these disciplines emphasizes that people are at the heart of actions and events. Great combat commanders know this, almost instinctively.

Following the battle in the Ia Drang Valley of Vietnam, then Lt. Col. Harold G. Moore, U.S. Army, said of the American military member,

We should remember that people are the most important resource of the Air Force. Respect for others is one of the key foundations of personal honor.

"American soldiers in battle don't fight for what some presidents say on T.V., they don't fight for mom, apple pie [or for] the American flag. They fight for one another."

I believe Colonel Moore's comments to be largely true. If his comments are true, then how much more effective can we be as a fighting force by understanding who we are as people?

I'd submit it's easy to remember that we must be courteous and respectful to those of superior rank. But superior rank or position does not create the right to be discourteous.

Likewise, I believe good leaders recognize that

the authority to delegate work does not make the individual to whom the work is delegated a lesser person. If our first obligation is to the mission, a close second is our responsibility to those under our authority and to each other.

It's important to strive to place the needs of our troops ahead of our own needs, and by our actions, to remind all those around us that no single person is more important than any other. Every person has worth and value far beyond what he or she can offer to the mission.

We should remember that people are the most important resource of the Air Force. Respect for others is one of the key foundations of personal honor. When you display respect and courtesy, you acknowledge the humanity of others, as well as a concern for that humanity.

Learning about the racial, cultural and gender backgrounds of our fellow Airmen takes us to the next level in terms of our individual understanding of who we are as Airmen. It enhances our ability to motivate and inspire and brings us together as a team enabling us to tackle the Air Force mission.

DoDDS schools liaison focuses on ABCs of back to school

By Audrey Burkel

Department of Defense Dependents Schools liaison officer

A -- After school activities. Make sure children have an after school activities calendar and encourage them to get involved.

B -- Buses. All bus riders need to know the five steps to school bus safety and table of consequences for bus discipline. Visit <http://www.kais-dso.eu.dodea.edu/Transportation.htm>.

C -- Committees. Parents can get involved with school committees. Each school has a School Advisory Committee that provides advice to the principal. These committees are comprised of parents, school employees, school principal, school liaison officer and students. For details, call 452-6942.

D -- Delays. The weather in Germany can be unpredictable and cause delays to the start of school. Have a plan for a two-hour delay or a school cancellation.

E -- Emergencies. Make sure the school has the most current emergency contact information.

F -- Food. Free and reduced lunches are available for qualified applicants. Contact the Schools Liaison Office at 452-6942 to apply, or visit <http://odin.aafes.com/nutrition/menus.htm> to check the school lunch menu and to learn about the nutritional value of your child's meals.

G -- Grades. Parents can keep current on grades through mid-term progress reports, end of quarter report cards, parent-teacher conferences and through e-mail.

H -- Homework. It's the key to good grades.

I -- Inform. The schools must be informed about issues important to a child. This includes letting the school know when a parent will deploy, about upcoming trips and when a child is out ill. See the absence reporting policy for each of the schools <http://intranet/52FW/52FWAgencies/CC/policies.asp>.

J -- Join in. Get involved with a child's education. Parent Teacher Organizations and other opportunities for parent involvement are beneficial for parents and children.

K -- Know. It's important to know a child's bus number. People can report problems via e-mail to eifel.detmo@eu.dodea.edu, or call 06565-61-5340, or call any of the principals. It is important to know the bus number when reporting an incident or if your child doesn't return home from school as expected.

L -- Look both ways. Whether riding the bus or walking to school, it is important to be safe and be seen. It is important to wear bright colored or reflective items and to observe rules of pedestrian safety including using crosswalks and walking in groups.

M -- Mentor. Guide children toward success and support them when they need support.

N -- Newsletters. Every school has a Web site and a parent newsletter. The schools rely on newsletters to get information about events and issues to parents.

O -- Open House. Each school will host an open house - see the school calendar at http://www.kais-dso.eu.dodea.edu/05_06/Eifel_Cal_SY2005-2006.doc for dates. This is a chance to see the classrooms, meet the teachers and learn the best way to communicate with the teacher when you have concerns or questions.

P -- Parent/Teacher conferences. Be sure to attend as this is an excellent opportunity to discuss your child's progress and areas for improvement. See the school calendar for dates.

Q -- Questions. Always ask questions. If you have questions for the teacher or the principal, write them down so you don't forget.

R -- Reading. It's one of the most important skills a child will learn; it is the tool that will enable them to learn all other subjects. Setting aside time just for reading will encourage a lifetime of learning. Reading also means reading and responding to all notices a child brings home.

S -- Standardized Tests. The Terra Nova test is the Standardized Achievement Test used by DoDDS. One of the best ways of monitoring student progress and helping students succeed is through standardized tests. Tests take place March 13-31. It is impor-

tant to ensure a child is in school during this time. Past test scores can be found at <http://www.dodea.edu/data/district.cfm?dodaac=HE1600>

T -- Trips. School trips offer an opportunity to experience an overseas assignment. Parents can volunteer to chaperone on school trips. Living overseas also means when we take trips to the states we stay longer. Parents should schedule trips during school breaks, and if emergency or extended trips are required, keep in contact with the school so a child can stay up to date on assignments.

U -- Understand the rules. There are rules for expected behavior on base, at school and on the bus.

V -- Voice concerns and volunteer. Be sure to talk to those who can help solve problems. Just as the military follows a chain of command, it is always best to talk to your classroom teacher first. The school liaison office can be your advocate for dependents' education concerns. Volunteer to be part of a solution. The schools offer many volunteer opportunities. Parents who volunteer in their child's school are more pleased with the school and their child's progress.

W -- Web sites. Each school has a Web site:

- ♦ SES - <http://www.spang-es.eu.dodea.edu>
- ♦ SMS - <http://www.spang-ms.eu.dodea.edu>
- ♦ BES - <http://www.bitb-es.eu.dodea.edu>
- ♦ BMS - <http://www.bitb-ms.eu.dodea.edu>
- ♦ BHS - <http://www.bitb-hs.eu.dodea.edu>

X -- X out what isn't essential when communicating about school. When parents communicate support for the school and their child's teachers, children will treat the school and teachers with that same respect.

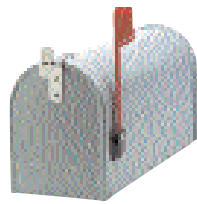
Y -- Year, as in school year. Know the school calendar, when terms end and begin, when to expect report cards and when holidays are scheduled.

Z -- ZZZZ We all need plenty of rest to go to work or school and be successful. Encouraging a reasonable curfew and bedtime ensures we are well rested and ready to meet the highest levels of achievement.



Community Mailbox

Submit "Community Mailbox" advertisements 10 days before the desired publication date to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil.



Craft fair

A craft fair takes place Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. in Bitburg Annex building 2012. People interested in selling crafts should call Patti Porter at 452-7381 or 452-9555 to register as a vendor.

Car care hours

The Spangdahlem AB Car Care Center is now open Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will offer tire service and oil changes. Customers can bring their frequent oil change cards on Saturdays and receive double stamps. Call Kim Sanders at 06561-957248 for details.

Combat Education

Embry-Riddle University offers AMNT 270, Airframe Structures and Applications class starting Sunday. It is a three-week course to prepare Airmen for airframe and power plant licensing. For details, call Sara Lopez-Owens at 452-7553.

Dental volunteer program

The 52nd Dental Squadron and American Red Cross Volunteer Dental Assistant Program class starts Sept. 12. To sign up, call Tech. Sgt. Thomas Lloyd at 452-8220.

Artist/craftsman contest

Enter the 2005 Artist/Craftsman contest, sponsored by the base arts and crafts center. The deadline to apply is Oct. 11. The contest is divided into two groups: adults and youth (age 17 and under). Categories include: fine art, textile art, industrial art and multicrafts art. Contestants are limited to four entries. Winning entries will be entered in the USAFE competition. For details, call Bob Rosinbum at 452-6841.

Rock concert

The rock band "Brickfoot" performs at the Brick House Aug. 26 at 9 p.m. The show is free for all military identification cardholders ages 18 and older. For more information, visit www.brickfoot.com.



Senior Airman Amaani Lyle

Domo Arigato

Representatives from the electronics company JVC present an oversized winning ticket to Staff Sgt. Jorge Molina (center), 606th Air Control Squadron, who is accompanied by his wife, Naomi, and their two children, Jesus, 4, and Dylan, 6. Col. Scott West, 52nd Fighter Wing vice commander (far right), visited the Bitburg Annex Army and Air Force Exchange Service to congratulate the family Aug. 11. Sergeant Molina entered the "AAFES and JVC Great Escape" drawing and won a five-day, four-night, all-inclusive trip for two to Japan, including roundtrip airfare and hotel. AAFES employees duped the family into coming to the store under the guise of them needing to complete outprocessing business before their permanent change of station status to New Mexico this month. The prize presentation was a complete surprise to the family. The value of the trip is more than \$8,000.

English lessons

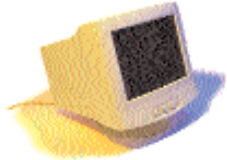
English as a Second Language classes take place each Monday and Wednesday from Sept. 26-Nov. 9 in Bitburg Annex building 2012. Cost is \$60 for the class and \$20 for the book. For course times and registration, call 452-7381.

Wanted: Stork Nesters

The Family Support Center seeks wing members to sponsor expectant mothers from Incirlik AB, Turkey, and Lajes Field, Azores. People who are interested in being a sponsor can call the Spangdahlem AB Family Support Center at 452-6422.

T-shirt design contest

Sabers are encouraged to develop a logo/design and submit it for the wing T-shirt design contest. The logo will be added to the standard black T-shirt, and must encompass the entire wing. The design must not exceed five inches in diameter and must be on the left side of the chest. Designs will be voted on by the Spangdahlem Tier II and approved by the wing commander and command chief. Submission deadline is Aug. 31. For details, call Staff Sgts. Frank Araujo at 452-6514 or Patrick Compton at 452-5513.



Der Markt

Free classifieds policy and submission deadlines

Der Markt is for the personal resale of items by military and civilian employees and their families. Items such as advertisements for rental property won't be published due to funded paper restraints. Ads should be 35 words or less and customers are limited to no more than two ads per week. Ads must be typed or printed legibly and turned into the public affairs office, building 23, at least **10 days before the desired date of publication**. Ads can also be e-mailed to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil or sent via fax to 452-5254. Having ads in by deadline does not guarantee publication. Ads for services generating regular income will not be published. The ads must include the sponsor's name and telephone number. Ads not meeting these requirements, including those exceeding the designated word limits, will not be printed. The Eifel Times staff reserves the right to edit ads.

Vehicles

2002 VW Passat, 1.8T, 5-spd., heated seats, leather, Monsoon stereo, AC, sunroof, tinted windows, alloys, 45,000 km., \$15,000 OBO. Call 452-6922 or 06561-946-757.

1998 Ford Ka, Phoenix blue, 1.3 liter, 5-spd., / passenger airbags, ABS, brakes/rotors/battery replaced, 2,700 euro. OBO. Call 0175-873-8516.

1997 Chevy Camaro convertible, U.S specs, 107,000 miles, AT, AC, PS, PW, PDL, tilt wheel, CC, CD player, ABS, rear spoiler, alloy wheels, needs some work, \$5,500 OBO. Call 0160-493-4670.

1995 VW Polo, apricot color, 197,000 km., sunroof, tinted windows in back, four summer/winter tires each with rims, \$2,500 OBO. Call 452-9503.

1995 Audi 80, 4-dr., 5-spd., moon roof, maroon, \$3,000. Call 0265 794 1255

1990 VW Golf, red 5-spd., \$1,500 OBO. Call 01603224342, 01604658025 or 452- 6350.

For Sale

Dishwasher, \$200; ceiling fans, \$20; toaster, \$5; mixer, \$20; vacuum, \$30; SKY receiver, \$300. Call 0265 794 1255.

Gamecube, games, memory card, comes with NFL street, LOTR-the 3rd Age, Tony Hawks Underground 2, Sims in the City, Freestyle Metal X, NHL 2005 and Rayman Arena; \$160 FIRM. Call 0160-493-4670.

Aiptek digital camcorder/camera w/3.1mp, w/128mb memory card, still in box, \$100; Bluetooth USB adapter can reach up to 333ft., \$20; RCA Lyra MP3 player, w/all accessories, \$20. Call 0160-493-4670.

White leather couch set, like new, three seat/two seat and chair w/ottoman; marble coffee table w/sm. square end table; \$1,200 for all. Call 06565-7659 in the evenings.

Kettler Cosmos cross trainer, like new, \$150. Call 06505-912-558.

German telephone w/answering machine, 220v, \$20; Junior Ram golf set, includes three fairway irons, driver, putter and bag w/stand, used once, \$45; microwave oven, six

months old; Panasonic, 800-watt, 220v, \$40. Please call 06562 965510 or 452-9533.

Toddler fire truck bed w/mattress, \$75. Call 06561694530 after 5 p.m.

White German kitchen, \$250; upright piano, \$175. Call 06531-972480 or 01755213317.

Four aluminum wheels off a 1989 Mercedes 190E; all-weather tires mounted, less than 6,000 km. Call 01511-555-0106 or 06553-901269.

Dining room schrank, 3.5 meter, md. oak wood, comes apart in four sections; middle upper section has glass doors, \$500 OBO. Call 06569-960371.

Captains bed, \$150; double bed frame, mattress w/boxspring, \$50; 110v espresso machine, \$20; three-in-one game table, \$75; 110v lg. capacity washer/dryer, \$450; lg. dog kennel, \$25. Call 06562-974740 in the evenings or leave a message.

German Crib (no mattress), \$40; two 300-watt transformers, \$40 each; American crib toddler mattress, \$10. Call 06562974243

Wanted

Reliable cleaning person to clean house once per week. References preferred but not required. Call 06562-974740.

Looking for a cheap laptop (must be at least a Pentium III and in working condition) not looking to offer more than \$500. Call 06565-933920 in the evening.

Babysitter in Bitburg Annex housing, Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30-9:30 p.m. from Aug. 22 to Oct. 12, ages 15 years and older. Call 06561-949167.

Yard Sale

Two family yard sale Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 21 Hauptstrasse, Picklessem, 10 min. from main gate. Go through Spangdahlem and follow the signs, selling clothes, toys, blankets, games, dolls, storage furniture and more.

Chapel Services

Spangdahlem AB Catholic Mass

- ♦ Saturday, 5 p.m.
- ♦ Sunday, 8:30 a.m.
- ♦ Sunday, religious education, 9:45 a.m. (building 139)
- ♦ Monday - Thursday, 11:45 a.m.

Protestant

- ♦ Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., pre-school through sixth grade (building 139); 10:30 a.m., traditional service; 1 p.m., Korean; 5 p.m., Sunday Night Live service

Bitburg Annex Catholic Mass

- ♦ Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
- ♦ Monday, 8:30 a.m.

Protestant

- ♦ Sunday, 8:15 a.m., Liturgical; 9:30 a.m., Contemporary; 1 p.m., Gospel Service
- For more information about Jewish, Islamic, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or other faith needs, call the chapel at 452-6711/6281.



What's happening at Club Eifel?

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24 TH

Don't Just Sit Around The House!



Back To School Family Fun Night

NEW DATE!

5-8 p.m. School is almost back in session, and Club Eifel is throwing an end of summer vacation party! We will be giving out pencils, pens, pads of paper, backpacks and many more school time needs. The DJ will playing great tunes for the kids so they can dance and have a ball. We will also have the Kiddie Laser Light Show in the ballroom and a bouncy castle.

Adult buffet: garden green salad, lemon pepper baked chicken, slow roasted beef with gravy, roasted new potatoes, wild rice, vegetable medley, rolls & butter and beverage. Kid buffet: dinosaur chicken nuggets, zany french fries, batter-up corn dogs, Tom Terrific tater tots, curly cue macaroni & cheese, rootin' tootin' fruity Jell-o, swirled chocolate and vanilla pudding and big bad brownies.

Members: Adults \$6.95, Children (6-12) \$3.95
Nonmembers: Adults \$8.95, Children (6-12) \$5.95
Children 5 and under eat FREE!



Coming Soon.....

CATCH ALL THE ACTION AT THE CLUB

Come watch the game at J.R. Rockers for Football Frenzy games and prizes!



During all AFN broadcast NFL Football games, J.R. Rockers will be offering Football Frenzy specials including discounted pizza, beer and bar snacks! Special prices are for Club members only. Check your local AFN television listings for game times.



Movies

The following movie listings are for today through Aug. 25. Times and movies are subject to change. For current information, call 06565-61-9441 or 452-9441. Movie synopses are available at www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp.

Spangdahlem Skyline

Today

The Honeymooners (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

New York City bus driver Ralph and his feisty wife Alice, struggle to make ends meet. Along with their best friends Ed and Trixie, they have almost enough money for a down payment on a Brooklyn duplex until Ralph winds up losing all their money and his marriage to boot with another of his crazy schemes.

Fantastic Four (PG-13, midnight)

A group of astronauts gain superpowers after cosmic radiation exposure and must use them to oppose the plans of their enemy, Doctor Victor Von Doom.

Saturday

The Adventures of Shark Boy and Lava Girl in 3-D (PG, 7 p.m.)

A boy's imaginary superhero friends come to life and join him on a series of adventures.

Fantastic Four (9:30 p.m.)

Sunday

The Adventures of Shark Boy and Lava Girl in 3-D (4 p.m.)

Fantastic Four (7 p.m.)

Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Smith (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

John and Jane are an ordinary suburban couple with an ordinary, lifeless suburban marriage. But each of them has a secret -- they are actually both legendary assassins working for competing organizations.

Tuesday

Fantastic Four (7 p.m.)

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Bitburg Castle

Today

War of the Worlds (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

As Earth is invaded by alien tripod fighting machines, one family fights for survival.

Cinderella Man (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

The story of Depression-era fighter and folk hero Jim Braddock, who defeated heavyweight champ Max Baer in a 15-round slugfest in 1935.

Saturday

Madagascar (PG, 7 p.m.)

Spoiled by their upbringing with no idea what wild life is really like, four animals from New York Central Zoo escape in search of their friend and find themselves en route to Madagascar.

War of the Worlds (9:30 p.m.)

Sunday

Madagascar (4 p.m.)

Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants (PG, 7 p.m.)

When four best friends spend their first summer apart from one another, they share a magical pair of jeans.

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday

War of the Worlds (7 p.m.)

Thursday

Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants (7 p.m.)

Where past meets present

Manderscheid offers food, music at annual medieval festival this August

By Iris Reiff

52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

The ruins of two splendid fortresses (upper and lower fortresses) will form an impressive background for a historical castle celebration Aug. 27-28 in Manderscheid, located in the heart of the Eifel.

At the Turnierweise (jousting meadow or training grounds) near the foot of the Niederburg or lower castle, knights will create a jousting place where, on the two days of the tournament, they will battle with lances, swords, bows and spears.

Minstrel singers and small singing groups will perform songs and ballads from three centuries ago. They will accompany dances from the 15th and 16th centuries with historical instruments. A small village will be built on the jousting meadow to show what life was like in the Middle Ages.

A traditional handicraft market will be set up at the same time and will remain open on both days.

The festival will officially kick off Aug. 27 at 11 a.m. with announcements and musical entertainment by "Herold



2nd Lt. Shannon Collins

A blacksmith forges metal during a demonstration at the festival.



2nd Lt. Shannon Collins

Musicians perform medieval music at the annual Manderschied medieval festival.

Holger der Helle und Gefolge."

Jugglers, stilt walkers, medieval singing performances and plays can be seen as of noon in various locations, surrounding the castle. Historical fighting scenes by the feudal knights are scheduled, and games and plays will occur in the festival area throughout the afternoon. A giant fireworks display will take place Aug. 27 at 10:30 p.m. over the Niederburg castle. More entertainment and dancing will follow the fireworks display.

Activities continue with a church service Aug. 28 at 10 a.m. The market will re-open at 11 a.m. More Middle Ages action kicks off at noon with historical fencing performances by the knights. Medieval games, fencing performances, music, plays and singing will occur throughout the afternoon.

Entertainment continues until about 10 p.m. Aug. 28 when this year's Manderscheid historical festival comes to an end with a concert.

Entry price to the event is 7 euro for adults and 4 euro for children ages 11-17.

Children younger than 10 get in for free.

Americans are especially invited to join the celebrations of a festival which is unique in the area.

Artists are always present and performing their acts everywhere throughout the day. There is also plenty of entertainment for children.

Manderscheid's two castle ruins can also be visited daily throughout the year. The Oberburg (upper castle) the oldest, dates from the year 973. The Niederburg (lower castle) was first mentioned in 1173.

Manderscheid is located north of the Mosel River, directly north of Autobahn A48. To get there, take a right outside the main gate and follow the signs. As you get into Manderscheid, stay on the main road until you get to the first main intersection. Take a right at this intersection, following the signs "Zu den Burgen" or to the castles.

People may also park in the center of town and take a free shuttle bus to the castles.



Out and About



(Editor's note: Event dates and times are subject to change. To confirm event details, call the telephone information office at 11833 and ask for a number to the tourist office in the town the event takes place. For event tickets, call the Press-Center Trier at 06511-459930, the Trier Tourist Information Office at 06519-780822 or the Trier Ticket Service at 06519-941188, unless specified otherwise.)

♦ Shop at local flea markets **Sunday** inside and outside the Bernkastel-Kues Gueter hall; inside the Piesport Moseltal hall; inside and outside the Cloister Machern Convent hall; outside the Trier Praktiker market; near the Trier Ratio store; outside the Schloss Weilerbach castle and outside the Idar-Oberstein Globus store.

♦ Enjoy the annual Wittlich pig burners festival **tonight** through **Monday**. One of the highlights happens tonight at 9:30 p.m. at the Wittlich Stadtpark, or city park, when actors put on a play featuring the pig fest legend, with a torchlight procession to the market square to follow. The festival will officially open that evening. The best time to take children to the amusement area is **Sunday** afternoon. Although the festival ends Monday night, the amusement rides remain open until **Tuesday** evening.

♦ All friends of historical and classical motorcycles are invited to enjoy this year's ADAC MotoClassic event, also

known as the "Rolling Motorcycle Museum," **now** through **Sunday** in various towns throughout the Eifel and in Luxembourg. Oldtimer motorcycles can be seen **today** from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Bitburg "Am Spittel" square, located behind the Coyote Café. Motorcycles will be in Diekirch, Luxembourg, **Saturday** morning, as well as from 2-4:30 p.m. for the "Concours d'Elegance" at Vianden, Luxembourg. For more information about this event go to www.adac.de/oldtimer.

♦ An antique, handicraft and flea market takes place **Saturday** and **Sunday** in Badem.

♦ The Wissmansdorf e.V. volksmarching association is organizing marches **Saturday** and **Sunday** to Sourbrodt, Belgium. The march includes a 12 km hike **Saturday** at 6 a.m., and a march to Consdorf in Luxembourg on **Sunday**. Both locations are very scenic. For more information, send an e-mail to WanderfreundeWissmannsdorf@web.de.

♦ Enjoy a sales market **Tuesday** from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Schoenecken.

♦ Participate in Summerbiking 2005, a traffic-free bicycling event, similar to Happy Mosel. The event takes place **Aug. 28**. For details, go to www.summerbiking.de.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE PHYSICAL TRAINING UNIFORM WEAR GUIDE



PT UNIFORM ITEMS **NOT** AUTHORIZED
TO BE WORN WITH CIVILIAN ATTIRE



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*** NOTE:**
WHEN WEARING THE
AIR FORCE PT UNIFORM
THE T-SHIRT WILL
ALWAYS BE TUCKED IN.



Graphic courtesy of the Spangdahlem AB First Sergeants Council

DoD launches online deployment health, family readiness library

Staff reports

LOUISVILLE, Ky. -- Servicemembers, their families and their health-care providers have a new online Defense Department resource for deployment health issues.

The DOD's Deployment Health Risk Communication Working Group and the Joint Task Force for Family Readiness Education on Deployments have joined together to create the Deployment Health and Family Readiness Library.

Ellen Embrey, deputy assistant secretary of defense for force health protection and readiness, announced the new online library Aug. 9. It is intended to provide servicemembers, families and health-care providers a quick and easy way to find information about deployment health and family readiness.

"Information is a powerful tool. We must remain proactive in providing deployment-related health information to better safeguard our servicemembers," she said. "Most people fear the unknown. Through accurate, timely information we are able to ensure that our servicemembers are better equipped to prepare for, cope with and recover from the myriad health risks faced during deployments."

The online library includes fact sheets, guides and other products on a wide variety of health topics. The topic listing was based on feedback from servicemembers, their families and health-care providers, Ms. Embrey said. Information will be added to the site as new topics and areas of concern emerge, she added.

In focus-group meetings, servicemembers and their families have said their need for information varies before, during and after deployments, Ms. Embrey said. Leaders, in particular, look for accurate information before the deployment. While servicemembers are deployed, their families are especially interested in getting deployment health-related information, and following deployments, both servicemembers and families look for this information, she said.

Many information sources are available online, but Ms. Embrey said that too often it is difficult to tell if the information source is accurate.

"We are absolutely committed to providing the best information found in sound science and based on medical evidence," Ms. Embrey said. "We want this site to be the authoritative source for deployment health and family readiness information. This is another step we are taking to ensure that those who protect our country and our freedoms are also protected."

To visit the DoD Web site, go to <http://deploymenthealthlibrary.fhp.osd.mil> or <http://deploymentlink.osd.mil>.

(Courtesy Air Force Print News Service)

Congratulations

The 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron 'A' team claimed the 2005 Intramural Softball championship title.

They beat the 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron/52nd Operations Support Squadron team 20-19 Aug. 11 at the Spangdahlem AB ball fields.

Sports Briefs

DoDDS sports information

School sports physicals

All students who participate in high school sports must have a physical on file with the school nurse. Students may not practice until a physical has been completed. Physicals are good for one calendar year and appointments can be made through the 52nd Medical Group's appointment line.

Barons football

The Bitburg High School football team begins practice Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the high school. Athletes who intend to play need a current physical and medical power of attorney in order to participate. A meeting for players' parents takes place Monday at 7 p.m. in the BHS gymnasium. For details, e-mail Coach Mike Laue at mike.laue@eu.dodea.edu.

Cheerleading camp

Kaiserslautern High School is sponsoring a Universal Cheer Association cheerleading camp Sept. 2-4. The camp is a DoDDS-E sanctioned event and is open to all prospective high school cheerleaders in Europe. The cost is \$95, payable at the door. Participants will learn cheers, sideline chants, dances, partner stunts and safety techniques. For details, call Jane Varalli at 489-7541 or Karen Seadore at 338-7470.

Tennis practice

The Barons tennis team begins practice Monday from 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the BHS tennis courts. Call Pete Vadney at 452-9202.

Women's equality run

The base multi-cultural committee is coordinating a Women's Equality Day Fun Run and Walk Aug. 26. People interested in helping to arrange the event should e-mail faith.rivera@spangdahlem.af.mil.

Dance, gymnastics registration

Youth interested in dance and gymnastics can sign up for classes now through Aug. 30 at the Spangdahlem AB Youth Center or the Bitburg Annex Teen Center. Dance and gymnastics classes are offered for children 20 months and older in the parent/tot program. There are also adult combo classes for dance, while gymnastics offers team competition levels. For more information, call Sally Fuller at 452-7546.

Wanted: varsity volleyball players

The Spangdahlem AB volleyball team needs male and

female players for their upcoming season. Players must be experienced and the team travels to Air Force and Army bases around Europe. For details, call Staff Sgt. Andres Rodriguez at 452-5383 or 452-5363.

Wanted: soccer, flag football officials

The youth soccer and flag football teams need people to officiate games Sept. 15 through Oct. 30. The games will be played at the Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Annex soccer fields, and certification and training will be provided. The deadline to apply is Thursday. For more information, call Master Sgt. Jeffrey Bell at 452-9495, 06561-94-5079 or 0160-966-85014.

Fat tire spectacular

The 20th annual Fat Tire Spectacular bicycle race takes place Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. at Keans Lodge Am Esel, Garmisch. Race number issue is Sept. 9 from 5-7 p.m. at Keans Lodge. Registration takes place at Edelweiss Lodge and Resort, Garmisch. Pre-registration is \$18 or 15 euro; late registration is \$24 or 20 euro. Call 08821-9444104 for details.